

REDISTRICTING TROUBLES.

Judicial Districts May Be Left as They Now Are Constituted.

(Correspondence of Louisville Commercial.)

Frankfort, Ky., Feb. 25.—The Democratic house caucus held tonight to consider the redistricting bills developed the fact that the house is beset with insurmountable difficulties, and the probability of abandoning the redistricting of judicial districts is suggested. The senate refused flatly to enter the caucus, and the house in turn refused to allow the senate to be the guests of the caucus. The feeling between house and senate Democrats is not kindly, and the members of the lower house fear for their bills even should they pass their body.

The caucus tonight was secret, and it considered only the judicial bill. The bill was taken up by districts, beginning with the First. Several changes were made. Union county had been with Henderson and Webster, but the caucus decided to take Union out of this company and put it with Livingston, Crittenden and Calloway. A bitter fight was made against this change. Protests were made on several of the districts, but the majority controlled. The general sentiment among the Democrats is that they wish they had never touched redistricting. The caucus was in session until long after midnight, with about one-fourth of its work completed.

Demand for the Mule.

The last year has brought the mule into greater prominence than it has ever before occupied in this country. It is true that in some sections, notably the cotton States, the mule has been the great reliance for all kinds of farm work, and he and the negro were responsible for about all the work done on Southern farms and plantations.

But the great impetus given to mule breeding was the war in South Africa. It is a rugged country, very dry, and horses could not withstand its peculiar climate. Here the mule proved its great value, and soon the horse was discarded from the ambulance, commissary and ammunition trains, and the mule took its place. They were found to be much superior to the horse in the peculiar conditions entailed by active campaigning in a dry, mountainous country, where forage is very scarce, and highways are unknown. Here the peculiar capabilities of the mule had ample room to show themselves, and the result was so greatly in his favor, as compared with the horse, that it may be regarded practically settled that he will become a fixture in modern armies, and as essential as arms or ammunition.

The result has been a wonderful increase in the demand for mules, and a corresponding expansion in breeding and raising them. The general farmers who stopped breeding horses some years ago, as they could buy horses cheaper than they could raise them, are beginning to use mules on the farm, and find they are great workers, more easily cared for than horses, and freer from disease.

The sales of mules at the Chicago stock yards the last year have been surprisingly large. Only a few weeks ago a mule sent there for sale was a rarity. Now there are consignments offered every week, and from 200 to 300 are frequently on sale at once. They range in size from 900 to 1,500 pounds. The former are denominated cotton mules,

as they are largely taken by Southern farmers for plantation work, and the heavy ones for truck purposes. In the latter line of work they are displacing ordinary truck horses, and are being used more largely from year to year. This may be regarded as the mule age.—Michigan Farmer.

THE FRUIT CROP.

Claim That Sleet Has Been Beneficial.

The Sebree Herald says: It is claimed by fruit growers, qualified both by experience and scientific knowledge, that so far as the fruit crop is concerned, the big sleet has been a blessing in disguise. It is claimed a heavy sleet lying on the boughs and twigs of the trees and keeping them in bent position, by interfering with the circulation in the limb, retards the wood growth and accelerates the production and development of fruit buds. If this theory is correct, and it is vouchsafed for by men of ripe experience, we should have a year an enormous yield of fruit.

Will Be Opened March 1.

The Home for Aged and Infirm Masons, which has been located by the Kentucky Masonic Grand Lodge near Shelbyville, will be formally opened with appropriate ceremonies. The home, which is in charge of Supt. H. B. Shaffer, is now being furnished throughout by the board of directors. It is believed at least a dozen aged and indigent Masons will enter the institution as soon as it is opened.

Enterprise for Hopkinsville.

Hopkinsville, Ky., Feb. 25.—Messrs. Ferd Schmidt and Archie Higgins have made arrangements for the establishment of a large poultry broiler. The plant will be situated about two and a half miles from town, will be steam-heated throughout, and will have 26,000 feet of floor space. They will also have 160 acres of land at their disposal. They will use about 1,500 hens for furnishing eggs for market and their incubators.

Work for Christian's Court.

Hopkinsville, Ky., Feb. 24.—The spring term of the Christian Circuit Court convened this morning. Judge Cook presiding, and will remain in session six weeks. The grand jury was impaneled, a large crowd being present to hear the instructions given which were of an unusually interesting and important nature. Special attention was paid to the assassination of Deputy Sheriff Robert Coffey last September, and the Empire coal mine troubles. Of the new appearances there were sixty cases in common law and forty-four in equity. There are 173 continued common law cases, and 143 common law cases. There are also 28 new suits for divorce on the docket. There are twelve prisoners in jail awaiting trial.

"Miss Hobbs."

The following Earlington people saw "Miss Hobbs," at Morton's Theatre, last Christmas day, and cheerfully recommend this play to the Earlington patronage, feeling sure that all will be well pleased with this attraction. The cast is entirely the same as it was then, not a member having quit, all reports to the contrary notwithstanding: Mr. C. H. McGary and wife, Mr. Paul M. Moore and wife, Mr. W. S. McGary and wife, Miss Donna Wood, Miss Louise Norwood, Mr. Isaac Davis, David Cowell.

Richard Barber, individual book-keeper for the Fayette National Bank at Lexington, committed suicide. He had been suffering several days with neuralgia.

..COMMENTS CURRENT..

By Macaroni.

The "wireless telegraph" lines were cross, and the following lines were caught by the telephone, the readers of which will be the next to get cross:

Evidently the contestants who were distanced in Nashville by our own Eldred Davis, the promising young M. D., in the examination before the Naval Examining Board, think now he has a "hoss" on them, since he was sent to the Mare Island Navy Yard. Kentuckians are noted for their "hosses."

Visitors to the Earlington Bank always find it warm and comfortable. This can be accounted for in one way. Jesse Phillips, the clever cashier, when a boy, had experience in a coal bank.

Bishop & Co., an enterprising mercantile firm of Madisonville, in their newspaper ads, very often use the line, "Your money back if you want it." All Bishops should be just men.

Two negroes employed at the mines here, recently had a trivial difficulty, the origin of which was due to one trying to tell the other what to do, when he had no authority. It seems to me that a miner should mind his own business in mining.

My attention was attracted the other day by a small crowd collected together and gazing at some object of interest on the railroad. The object of curiosity proved to be a dead hog, his life having been crushed out by a moving train. One spectator, who was no doubt an old baseball manager, remarked, "There is one 'rooter' that will not be on hand this season." His hogship was not much of a curiosity to me—have been "on the hog" many times.

Fritz and Webster, in a "Breezy Time," are booked at the Temple for March 13. As March is rather a breezy month, they should have little trouble in giving the people "A Breezy Time."

At last a Ruby has invaded the diamond. That is the name of the latest recruit to the ranks of professional ball players. Here is hoping that Ruby will prove a jewel to the diamond.

The manager of the company playing "The Minister's Son" is Mr. J. M. Stout. He is evidently stout enough to carry a strong company.

If there are many more "In Kentucky" poets to be heard from, the rest of the world will think that all of the people of the "dark and bloody ground" were born under the falling stars.

If Prince Henry will only visit the Senate while McLaurin and Tillman are in a debate, he will no doubt hire Ching Fong, the Chinese boxer, for protection.

When I read of the number of visitors at Hot Springs from the different places, I sometimes think how far some people will go to take a bath.

A man giving lectures with liquid air is the latest addition

to the ranks of the Thespian art. As the public has been given "hot air" by the profession for many years, this liquid air provider should meet with overwhelming success.

Last week THE BEE was delayed in being printed on account of losing all of our gasoline, and not discovering the fact until the paper should have been running through the press. The weather was the cause of it—but the weather doesn't care whether people, ground, fruit trees or anything else can weather the weather.

De Wolfe Hopper, after hopping about in Webster & Field's all-star cast in New York City for the last two or three seasons, will hop out on the road next season at the head of his own company, playing a dramatization from that humorous work of Dickens, "Pickwick Papers." As a hopper, De Wolfe is quite a success. The last time he hopped out of matrimonial bonds, the Globe-Democrat served him with the following: "Mr. and Mrs. De Wolfe Hopper have been divorced, and De Wolfe is now a grasshopper." De Wolfe should have no trouble in playing the Dickens with his audience.

Completed Proverbs.

"Before you run in double harness, look well to the other horse," but see to it that the other horse doesn't have a chance to look well to you.

"Pity is akin to love," but kinship does not always signify friendship.

"It is hard to pay for bread that has been eaten," but not so hard as to get bread to eat that has not been paid for.

"Only that which is honestly got is gain"—the rest is velvet.

"Labor overcometh all things," even the laborer.

"Employment brings enjoyment," when it brings the means to enjoy.

"A wise man is moved from his course neither by force nor entreaty," but the same often applies to a mule.

"Possession is nine points of the law," and frequently all the profits.

"Every man for himself, and the devil take the hindmost" is the cry of those who are well in front.

"In matters of taste there can be no dispute," for every man is so firmly convinced that there is no standard by which his taste can be measured.

"What'er is best administered is best" for the one who administers.

"Ignorance is the mother of impudence," but no father is named.

"A man who will not flee will make his foes flee," but what if his foes be made of the same metal?

"Let a child have its will and it will not cry," but its parents will.—Era.

The American Soldier.

Congressman Grosvenor "The alarm which has been sounded in regard to the conduct of the American soldier in the Philippines is one of the most shameful attacks on American manhood in history. The American people are not criminals any more than they were in the days of the Revolution. The tales of rapine, fire and bloodshed in the Philippines are not to be credited.

LABOR ORGANIZER'S EXPENSES.

Central Federated Union Refuses to Pay \$40 for Three Days of Ben Tillett.

Ben Tillett, the English Socialist, came here last November as a delegate from the British Trades Union Congress to the convention of the American Federation of Labor. Being the organizer of the London Dock Laborers' Union, he was asked by Delegate Robinson, the Federation's organizer, to spend a week among the longshoremen here trying to organize them before he returned to England.

According to Robinson, Tillett was to receive from the Federation \$21, its regular salary for the work, but he said he could only stay three days, and, so Robinson declares, he only spent ten minutes among the longshoremen, who paid little attention to him.

Robinson explained to the Central Federated Union at its meeting yesterday that for these three days Tillett's expense bill was \$40. He advanced Tillett money, but did not like to submit Tillett's bill to the Federation of Labor and asked if the C. F. U. wouldn't foot it. Everybody at once began to protest.

"What do Tillett and his kind take us for?" shouted August Waldinger of the Arcade Workers' Union. "Does he think the Central Federated Union is an industrial cow, to be milked by every one?"

"I don't like to hear such talk of a labor man," remarked the chairman.

"You may like it or not," said Waldinger. "We've been suckers too long. This man Tillett has been doing the same thing everywhere. He charged a New York labor union \$50 for addressing a meeting for three minutes. Yet he calls himself one of us."

Some of the delegates said they were sorry that Tillett was present. Delegate Pommer said that Tillett had been doing the same thing all over the country, and that complaints of his expense bills had come from cities as far away as Cincinnati.

"I can tell something about Tillett's expense bills," said George H. Warner, delegate of the machinists. "Our Reception Committee, which went to Washington to meet him, had to pay \$250 for three days of his expenses there."

Some of the delegates wanted to know what Tillett did with the money. Warner said he didn't know. It was decided by acclamation to refund only the money that Robinson had advanced to Tillett and let the Englishman be responsible for the rest of the bill.—N. Y. Sun.

SEBREE UNION TROUBLES.

Rents Not Paid by Union and Idlers are Threatened With Eviction.

Sebree, Ky., Feb. 25.—The members of the Mine Workers' Union here are in trouble. Notices were served upon several of them today to vacate within five days the houses they now occupy. These notices were served by Marshall Higgs at the instance of the property owners. Out of thirty union miners who draw assistance from the United Mine Workers of America, only two own their own homes. The indications are that notices will be served tomorrow morning on all those who are behind in their rent.

The members of the local union were promised by officials when they joined the union that rent and coal bills would be paid. They were also promised a weekly allowance for groceries, to be prorated according to the number in the family. One member withdrew from the union a few days ago because he did not get enough to buy groceries for him-

self and wife. The union has never been up with the rents since the strike was ordered. If the rent that is past due is not paid it will force nearly every member and his family out of town, as there are no empty houses. There are about 125 people who are dependent upon the United Mine Workers for support.

Did Not Get the Knot Tied.

Clarence Howell and Miss Emma Sisk, of Mortons Gap, eloped to Evansville last week for the purpose of getting married, but were disappointed. As the young lady was only 19 years of age, they were refused license. They returned that evening and were met here by the irate father of the girl, and the would-be groom told him they were married, hoping to throw him off until they could reach a greener Gretna Green, and have the knot tied. The father left them, thinking they were married, but the daughter decided to send for him to come back and take her home, which he promptly did.

Where Profits Go.

It is little known, the small leaks on the farm, which prevent the farmer from realizing that full share of profit which would be justly due him if proper attention were given to little matters seemingly unimportant in themselves. Irregular feeding of milk cows will affect the milk yield, and openings in the ealboards of the stable will admit cold enough to counterbalance a good share of the food given to produce animal heat and growth. In fact, a look of hay dropped here and blown into a corner there, a pint or a quart of grain lost through the bottom of a neglected feeding box, a quart or more of meal frozen to the pigs' trough, then thrown under foot, or a few nubbins of corn trampled into the filth—these, and more, are but little things, yet in the course of a winter their cash value would surprise some, if estimated. We cannot avoid the conclusion that the successful farmer of the future, perhaps more than in the past, will be the one who avoids the waste in little things. What-ever is saved is gained, and this is particularly true of the economy of the farm.—Agricola.

Has Resigned.

Mr. George A. Neal, who was manager of the Cumberland Exchange at Madisonville, and who put in the exchange here, resigned his position. His service for the company came to an end Saturday night. A Mr. Mitchell has succeeded him as manager. Mr. Neal has many friends who regret to see him leave. He contemplates going to St. Louis.

Resignation Tendered.

Hopkinsville, Ky., Feb. 25.—Judge James Breathitt and M. F. Shryer, the Republican members of the Board of Commissioners for the Western Kentucky Asylum for the Insane, last night wired their resignation to Gov. Beckham as members of that body.

A Free Man.

A telegram has been received in Madisonville by friends from Ellie Toward, in which he announces that he was cleared of the charge upon which he was tried and is now a free man.

Col. S. A. Houston, of Lawrence, Kas., has secured half a bushel of acorns from the McKinley farm in Ohio. His idea is to give them to people who will plant them and grow living monuments to the martyred President.

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The Civic Federation.

The Hon. Oscar L. Straus, the second vice chairman of the National Civic Federation, has an interesting article in the February number of *Cassier's Magazine*, giving the origin and scope of this organization. Representing the public are the names of a dozen of America's most honorable and distinguished citizens. To a dozen names of employers of labor, are added a dozen names of leaders of organized labor, making the thirty-six working members of the National Civic Federation. Mr. Straus says:

"This conference and the movement it organized were the crystallization of a plan which many earnest and sagacious men have hoped for and had under consideration for years. After all the panaceas of the reformers were calmly reviewed, there had been growing up a general feeling that there must be some very simple and direct way by which sensible men could compose their differences and live together in industrial peace, giving to natural forces a free chance to work out their beneficent results."

If the efforts of this federation are to be confined only to "sensible men" its task is not difficult. The history of the labor world shows that sensible men do not have disputes. The sensible employer always grants, with the best treatment, just divisions of profit to labor and capital, and the sensible employee accepts and thrives. This same history shows many sensible employers and employees, and with these, strikes are unheard of.

The Industrial Commission reports the total membership of all labor organizations in the United States, July 1901, as 1,400,000. The census report for 1900 gives 20,870,000 men over 21 years of age in the United States. There are over 250,000 females engaged in cotton, woolen and other textile establishments, largely members of unions, who are included in the number of members reported by the commission. Hence not over six per cent. of the workmen over twenty-one years of age in the United States are members of labor organizations. Little of this organized labor endorses, by its daily life, the utterance of Archbishop Ireland, that "The personal freedom of the individual citizen is the most sacred and precious inheritance of Americans."

Not one of the dozen labor leaders, active in the federation, by his daily life and practical teachings endorses this noble utterance. On the other hand, organized labor, the representative of only six per cent. of the labor in the country, claims the world as its own.

Pres. George F. Baer, of the Reading Railway Company, in his lecture, "Work is Worship," well illustrates this when he says: "Today there is no greater absolute despotism and tyranny on earth than the power that forbids a man to work because of some other man's quarrels. The nod of a despot causing the arrest of any man in his kingdom represents no more arbitrary power than the edict which issues in the name of labor, whereby a workman without a grievance must stand with folded arms and see his family suffer for bread, because he is in terror of the ostracism, if not the personal violence which follows an attempt to be a free man."

We have had practical experience of all this in Hopkins county during the past twenty-three months. For twenty-five years the miners of this county had fair divisions of the profits of their labor; fair treatment and no disputes. Then came John Mitchell, one of the dozen labor leaders of the National Civic Federation, with his walking delegates, and ordered a strike. The 2000 miners in the county did not recognize Mitchell nor his delegates, but proposed to stand by the principle which Archbishop Ireland has so well stated in the utterance above quoted. Then came the armed camps of the United Mine Workers and the numberless outrages that followed. Houses filled with men, women and children riddled with bullets at midnight; non-union workmen wounded and shot to death; coal tipples fired by day and by night, with long-range rifles; even mules and horses at the mines shot to death because they hauled "scab" coal; murderous attacks made on deputy sheriffs by armed mobs; non-union miners and operators threatened with assassination; attempts to dynamite houses filled with workmen; the free American miner compelled for his protection to carry the Winchester rifle with his dinner pail as he went to his daily toil. All this caused by members of the United Mine Workers of America and in the name of organized labor. And yet these brave men dug in 1901, 1,364,380 tons of coal, against 1,353,740 tons in 1900, with the pick in one hand and the rifle in the other.

These facts were published in the world in the daily papers and by the Mine Inspector of the State. With these facts before him John Mitchell, in his official report to the United Mine Workers of America, as published in their official journal of January 23, 1902, says in referring to the strike (?) in Hopkins county: "At the present time there are 1000 persons in that field dependent upon our organization for support. The companies have transported from the extreme Southern States a large number of colored workmen to man their mines, the output of which is a trifle in excess of one-half what it was prior to the inauguration of the strike."

The 1,600 persons he talks

about are principally myths. The colored workmen from the Southern States were not needed as ample supplies of labor, both white and colored, were waiting to take the places of the few men who quit the mines. John Mitchell uttered a deliberate falsehood when he declared the tonnage of the county was only a trifle in excess of one-half what it was prior to the "strike" (?). He uttered deliberate falsehoods when he referred to the social and political conditions of the county of Hopkins. He ignored the outrages committed in his name on non-union miners as he ignored the records of the courts with indictments against United Mine Workers for banding and confederating and for murder.

The "sensible men" that Mr. Straus would have are scarce in this labor organization; the demagogues are plentiful and all ways to the front. Our sympathies and good wishes are with the distinguished representatives of the public in the Civic Federation, but we fear we will have to await the arrival of the millennium before their hopes are realized. But little good can be expected until the utterance of Archbishop Ireland is recognized by labor organizations as part of their faith, and lived up to.

Good Advice.

The most miserable beings in the world are those suffering from Dyspepsia and Liver Complaint. More than 75 per cent of the people in the United States are afflicted with these two diseases and their effects, such as Sour stomach, Sick Headache, Habitual Constipation, Palpitation of the Heart, Heartburn, Waterbrash, Gnavings and Burning Pains at the Pit of the Stomach, Yellow Skin, Coated Tongue and Disagreeable Taste in the Mouth, Coming up of Food after Eating, Low Spirits, etc. Go to your Druggist and get a bottle of August Flower for 75 cents. Two doses will relieve you. Try it. Sold by St. Bernard Druggist. Get Green's Special Almanac.

What is the Marriageable Age?

In Germany a man in order to marry must be at least 18 years of age.

In Portugal a boy of 14 is considered marriageable and a girl of 12.

In Greece the man must have been at least 14 summers and the woman 12.

In France the man must be 18 and the woman 16.

In Belgium the same ages.

In Spain the intended husband must have passed his 14th year and the woman her 12th.

In Austria a man and a woman are supposed to be capable of conducting a home from the age of 14.

In Turkey any youth and maiden who can walk properly and understand the religious service are allowed to be united for life.

THE PLEASURE OF MEMORY.

BY "TIMMIE."

As backward we look through the vista of time

And list to the music of memory's chime,
No matter how long the time has been,

If we could we would live it over again.

We would cherish once more as in early years
Our youthful hopes and youthful fears.

We would build again our castles of air
And dream of maidens both noble and fair.

In fancy's domain we roam at will
Down the green valley or wooded hill.

Beyond the scenes of other days
Beyond the parting of the ways.

The sunshine's bright on the humble home,
Where long years we used to roam.

The wind whispers to the same old trees
And the hollyhocks stir in the gentle breeze.

As the day we left the old home nest
With hope exultant in our breast
To win a fortune or win a name
That would rank high on the list of fame.

Altho' we have lost in the battle of life
And have come out loser in the unequal strife,
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A Thousand Dollars Thrown Away.
Mr. W. B. Baker, of Plainville, Neb., writes: "My wife had lung trouble for over 15 years. We tried a number of doctors and spent over a thousand dollars without any relief, when a friend suggested trying Foley's Honey and Tar, which I did; and thanks be to this great remedy I saved her life. She is stronger and enjoys better health than she has ever known in ten years. We shall never be without Foley's Honey and Tar and would ask those afflicted to try it." Sold by John N. Taylor.

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Owensboro was in the throes of a coal famine last week. One day, so it is reported, there were only two cars of coal in the town, with dealers having lots of orders on them. The situation has been relieved somewhat by this time.

For Stomach Troubles.
"I have taken a great many different medicines for stomach trouble and constipation," says Mrs. S. Geiger of Dunkerton, Iowa, but never had as good results from any as from Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets." For sale by St. Bernard Druggist, Earlington; Ben T. Robinson, Mortons Gap; George King, St. Charles.

The suit of Col. Thomas S. Pettit, contesting the election of Mayor Yewell, of Owensboro, who received a majority of fifty-five votes, was decided against Col. Pettit.

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WAR ON ASSAY OFFICES

Cripple Creek, Col., In a State of Terror Over Destruction of Assay Offices.

SIX-OF THEM WRECKED BY EXPLOSIONS.

The Raiders Did Not Hesitate to Jeopardize Human Life, and Serious Injuries Were Sustained in Several Instances—The Attacks.

Victor Cook, Feb. 25.—Cripple Creek is in a state of terror owing to a pre-arranged attack upon the assay offices doing business in the district. Beginning at three o'clock Monday morning, and following in rapid succession, six explosions wrecked as many assay offices in the centers ranging from Victor to Cripple Creek and up to Goldfield. In every instance the object sought by the incendiaries was accomplished by the destruction of the offices with their fine equipment of delicate balances. The raiders did not hesitate to jeopardize life, as all but one of the buildings were also occupied by sleeping families. As it was, men, women and children were hurled out of their beds by the shocks, and serious injuries inflicted. The full extent of the damage cannot be estimated.

In this city the Davenport office was wrecked by two explosions, involving a loss of fully \$1,200. Almost at the same time the assay offices of Vandewater, Morgan and Williams were treated likewise. The loss was approximately as large as Davenport's. One man, a miner, was severely injured as he lay in bed at Williams' office. He was passing at the moment of the explosion. Flying debris struck him on the head, gouging his eyes, and may result in total blindness.

In Cripple Creek Benjamin's assay office, north of the Florence and Cripple Creek depot, was blown up. In the town of Goldfield, about a mile and a half north of here, almost simultaneously, Boyce's office and another assay establishment were wrecked. Boyce's family occupied an adjoining room. Mrs. Boyce was blown out of bed, but escaped without fatal injuries. She was badly shocked. A family living in the other office was also blown out of bed, but escaped serious injury. The giant powder was blown out of the windows at Goldfield.

In this city the powder was placed under the building. The house in which a family lived next to the Williams assay office here was much damaged, and a woman was much prostrated. Sheriff Robertson has called on his deputies, and is taking all means to discover, if possible, the perpetrators of the crimes.

The general impression here is that the attacks are the result of a determined effort to rid the district of all high-grade ore-purchasing institutions.

For years there has been systematic stealing of rich ore from the mines, amounting to thousands of dollars monthly. It is thought that to assayers have been doing business of buying such ore. Recently the Mine Owners' association discovered that shipments of high-grade ore had been made by assayers from this district to the Elberly smelter at San Francisco and another smelter at Salt Lake, but all efforts to stop the traffic were unavailing.

Information from Canon City have been called for.

MISS ELLEN STONE IS FREE.

The American Missionary and Her Companion, Miss Stone, Released at Strumitz.

Constantinople, Feb. 24.—Miss Ellen M. Stone, the American missionary wife, with Mrs. Tullis, was captured by brigands in the district of Salonika, September 3 last, has been released and arrived at Strumitz, Macedonia, at three o'clock yesterday morning.

Nobody was at Strumitz to meet Miss Stone, as the brigands had given no indication where they proposed to release the prisoners. Mrs. Tullis and her baby were also released at the same time. They are all well. Miss Stone immediately went herself known to the authorities at Strumitz.

Farmer Dangerously Hurt.

Deatrich, Ill., Feb. 21.—William Deatrich, a farmer, driving a load of hay into a warehouse, here was caught between the top of the doorway and the load and his back broken. Physicians say he will die, or be a helpless cripple if he lives.

Well-Known Scientist Dead.

New York, Feb. 22.—Henry Miller Pierce, is dead at 62. A. J. says a dispatch from Rochester "to the Tribune." He was a well-known scientist and served for thirteen years as president of Rutgers Female college.

Will Be Granted a New Trial.

El Paso, Tex., Feb. 22.—Gov. De Lacey, it is announced, will get a new trial on the charge of bigamy, for which the jury gave him four years last Saturday.

The Week's Failures.

New York, Feb. 22.—G. D. Dun & Co. report: "Failures for the week number 256 in the United States, against 253 last year, and 31 in Canada against 30 last year."

OTHERWISE UNNOTICED.

Prince Henry was the guest of honor at a state dinner, given at the White House, Monday night.

Prince Henry's reception at St. Louis will be distinctly American and devoid of ostentation.

Fred W. Bradley, of Rio de Janeiro, Ark., was found dying in his room at Bryson hotel, St. Louis, with a gas jet open.

Workmen on the St. Louis World's fair site have begun the work of timbering the River 3es Peres channelways.

Henry Smiker was struck with a coal bucket and his skull fractured for refusing to drink with John Higgins at St. Louis.

Thomas Estrada Palma was formally elected first president of the Cuban republic by the electoral college, at Havana, Monday.

There is another municipal deadlock at Kansas City between Mayor Reed and the council. City officers have been closed, and employees can not be paid.

Germany suggests that England publish Lord Panmouthe's letters touching on his attempts at interviews between the United States and Spain.

Chinese reformers assert that promises made by the government to head certain officials have not been kept, and that the officials now hold nominal places in remote parts of the empire.

Prince Henry is said to be delighted at the spontaneous cordiality of his reception, both official and public, in the United States.

Senator Tillman considers himself insulted by the president's withdrawal of his invitation to the state dinner to Prince Henry.

Miss Ellen M. Stone and Mrs. Tullis are resting at Strumitz for the present and will probably make the journey to Constantinople by sea.

Joe Calcestrata was crushed to death in the mines at Herrin, Ill., by falling stone.

Former President Grover Cleveland has returned to Princeton, after spending ten days, riding ducks along the coast of Virginia. He appears to be in good health.

Mrs. George Kindheart attempted suicide, at Beardstown, Ill., by swallowing carbolic acid. Her action was the result of a family quarrel over trivial matters. Her recovery is doubtful.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence James of Evansville, Ind., entertained their friends at a dinner, in honor of their golden-velvet anniversary.

The farmers of Kansas are said to be feeding large quantities of wheat to the birds on account of the scarcity of corn.

MISS ROOSEVELT'S PRESENT.

Emperor William's Gift to the Sponsor for His New Yacht.

New York, Feb. 25.—Before the luncheon given on the imperial yacht Hohenzollern, Tuesday, in honor of President Roosevelt, by Prince Henry of Prussia, a golden bracelet with a picture of Kaiser Wilhelm in diamonds was presented to Miss Alice Roosevelt.

St. Louis Chemical Co. Incorporated. Trenton, N. J., Feb. 22.—The St. Louis Chemical Co., capital \$1,000,000, was incorporated here, yesterday, to manufacture bleaching powder, caustic soda, etc. The incorporators are David E. Harrison, John Faulkner and David H. Courter, all of East Orange.

Returned from Cuba.

Charleston, S. C., Feb. 26.—Gov. W. T. Durbin, of Indiana, with his staff, many of them accompanied by their wives, arrived here en route home from a trip to Cuba.

THE MARKETS.

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IN THE INTEREST
OF THE

Woman's Christian Temperance Union.

Edited by a White Ribboner.

On February 10, the New Hebrides Prohibition act became a law, without the President's signature, the ten days' limit which he is allowed having expired.

The act would have been signed in its due order, were it not that the sudden illness of his son at Groton, Mass., called him away before he had opportunity to sign it.

On February 18, in spite of the fact that the bill had already become a law, the President affixed his signature, for the purpose of emphasizing his approval of the measure.

As the result of a petition to the faculty of Tufts College by the Prohibition Club of the college, the curriculum of the college will hereafter include a course of study of the liquor question. The Rev. W. S. Woodbridge, professor of applied Christianity, will conduct the study.

Rev. Samuel F. Pearson, the plucky sheriff who is proving whether Prohibition can be made to prohibit or not in Chicago, was tendered a banquet in Washington's birthday, by the Minnesota Prohibition Club of that city.

A Cautious Graduate.

Evan D. Williams, son of a well-to-do farmer residing just out of Johnston, Pa., committed suicide in the Philippines in a fit of drunken despondency.

Before enlisting, young Williams bore an excellent reputation and was a successful teacher in the public schools of the county. After enlisting, like so many others, he began to patronize the canteen, and the death of a suicide is the result.

It is not the great sins of the wicked people that bring ruin to the world. It is the follies and failings of those who should be most true and most faithful, and so save the world, but do not do it.—W. S. Frost.

Conon Farrar says that Cruikshank, the artist, offered £100 for proof of a violent crime committed by a total abstainer, and that the money remains unclaimed to this day. Quite as striking a proposition has recently been made by a temperance society in England offering a large reward for proof of a single instance where property accumulated by liquor selling has descended to the third generation.

So many of our readers it may be new that, as a result of careful scientific investigations, the Emperor Napoleon, in 1862, prohibited the use of tobacco in the government schools of France. Later investigations in the same country have fully established the fact that physical and mental weakness follow the use of tobacco by boys, and that the younger the boys the worse the effects. Germany has partly followed in the same line. In this country Congress has forbidden the use of tobacco among the cadets in the Naval Academy at Annapolis. This order was based purely on the ground of the injurious effects of tobacco upon the physical and mental powers of growing boys. New Jersey, Massachusetts, and Pennsylvania, and we believe, some other States and Territories, have passed laws to prohibit the sale of tobacco to minors under sixteen years of age.—Woman.

CANDY CATHARTIC
BEST FOR THE BOWELS
Genuine Stated C. C. C. Never sold in bulk.
Beware of the dealer who tries to sell
"something just as good."

PUCKETT'S CAVE,

Old Ben, the Miller.

BY "TIMMIE."

CHAPTER II.

"Where are we going, Ben?" I asked, when we were out of sight of the house.

"We's a gwine to Puckett's Cave, young marse, dars one one dar wants to see you and den you'll find out all about why yore ma is gwine to marry dat low down white trash of a Bill Buckley. Dis odder nigger here is a runaway nigger from the Dodson plantation and you must not say a word about his tomorrow case he i. de one what foun' it out."

"Found what out? What are you talking about?"

"Foun' out about yore Uncle John. You don't 'member him, chile, he is yore mudder's youngest brother and he gave de ole folks a sight of trouble in his young days. Den he moved up norf and married a rich gal from Boston and gambled and drank until he run fru wid her money. She left him, and de last we heard of him he had forged a note for a big lot of money and was sent up for twenty years. Dat was ten years ago, and he got away about six months ago and has been hiding in Puckett's Cave. Yore ma knows it, case he has sent him clothes an' money an' things to eat, an' somehow ole Buckley foun' it out an' he done said to yore ma if you don't marry me I will send the officers after your brother."

We followed the course of the winding creek for some time and then turned off in the woods, picking our way through the underbrush and climbing over fallen trees for an hour or more, when we reached a small clearing. Ben stopped and putting his hand to his mouth imitated the hoot of an owl twice in succession. The echo had scarcely died away when we heard an answering hoot, this being the signal agreed upon by my uncle.

On reaching the cave I saw by the moonlight a slender white-faced man with a rifle in his hand.

"Marse John," said Ben, "here is the young marster and not a pusion on dat hill knowed he cum."

My uncle took me by the hand and led me into the cave, telling Ben and the others to remain outside and keep a sharp lookout. The inside of the cave was narrow at the entrance but widened out as we proceeded and we soon came to a room rudely furnished with one chair, a mattress and two or three boxes. The dim light of the tallow dip threw fantastic shadows on the sides of the cave and a monster bat made a dive at the light and extinguished it with the wind of its wings.

I was beginning to feel a little uneasy in this Egyptian darkness and when I felt something cold against my hand and heard a low, fierce growl break the stillness I could not repress an exclamation of alarm.

"Down, Hector, and be quiet," said my uncle, who had by this time found his flint and steel and was relighting the dip.

"Don't be uneasy, he will not bother you now. I found that dog about three months ago with his chain tightly wedged between the forks of a fallen tree; the block would not allow it to pass through and the poor fellow was apparently nearly starved. I liberated him and have kept him with me for company."

"Now we must get to business so you may return home before daylight."

"Ben has already told me of the demand that villain Buckley had made of my sister and I am determined he shall never marry her. I had rather spend the rest

of my days in the penitentiary, and I want you to tell her so. It will be a week before the time set for this wedding and by that time I think the bridegroom will be missing."

"Are you going to kill him, uncle?" I asked.

"Oh no, indeed I am not, I only want to get him out of the country and I sent for you to help me because I had no one else I could trust. On the day after tomorrow Ben is going to run away, there will be no one to run the mill, Ben will come to this cave, on the next day you will tell Buckley you know where Ben went, that you heard him tell Liza Ann he was going to the cave, then Buckley will come here expecting to find Ben and he will find someone else. He has heard that I am in hiding in the country but he does not know that I am here."

I promised to do just as I was told, and after a great deal more talk on the same subject we went to the mouth of the cave and Ben and I started home, reaching there a little before daybreak.

On the day after Ben ran away according to agreement and it was soon noised about the plantation, Buckley was furious and swore he would give him a hundred lashes when he was caught.

The next morning I went to the overseer and told him that I had an idea Ben had gone to Puckett's Cave as I heard him talking to Liza Ann about the cave a day or so ago. He went to Liza Ann and asked her what she knew about it. She very reluctantly told him she believed that Ben had gone to the cave and added "he took a ham and a bushel of meal so he won't git hungry."

The next day Buckley took his gun, and calling the dogs rode away in quest of Ben.

After a circuitous route of several miles Buckley came to the cave and found old Ben sitting in front of it calmly smoking his pipe. The dogs ran up to him and began to whine and leap about him.

Buckley rode up and after eyeing him sternly said, "You good-for-nothing, miserable nigger, don't you know you can't git away from me. I knew where you were before your tracks were cold. Now you git up from there and make for home, and when you git there we will have a settlement and you will git the biggest end of it."

"Git down, Marse Buckley, and rest your saddle," said Ben. "I ain't feelin' very well today and don't tink I kin walk very fast."

This made Buckley furious and he dismounted to chastise the old man then and there. He laid his rifle down and taking the whip advanced on Ben with uplifted arm, but before he could bring the lash down on the old man's shoulders a man stepped out of the mouth of the cave and he was looking into the muzzle of a rifle.

(To be Continued.)

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PERSONAL.

Miss Lizzie Dean spent Saturday and Sunday in Madisonville.

Miss Wardna Stokes is visiting friends in Nashville.

Mr. Lucius Byrne is visiting in Hanson.

Miss Annie Ashby returned from Slaughter'sville Tuesday.

Miss Nettie Toombs, of Slaughter'sville, is visiting the family of her brother, N. L. Toombs.

Miss Kate Ashby, of Slaughter'sville, is the guest of Misses Annie and Nannie Ashby.

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S. L. Todd accompanied the Hopkins county delegation to the Y. M. C. A. State convention at Paducah last week. He reports a big convention and a splendid time.

Miss Cora Hall, of Madisonville, spent several days visiting friends and relatives of this vicinity last week.

Miss Ella Totten, of Minerva, O., who is making an extended visit to relatives in this county, visited Miss Mayme Todd last week.

Will Crenshaw had a tumor removed from his eye last week. The operation was a painful one but he is getting along all right now.

Several of the boys from this vicinity have been doing telephone work lately.

Ben Lafoon and family spent Sunday at W. L. M. rison's.

Bird Barnhill, of White Plains, was in the neighborhood last week, the guest of John Slaton.

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M. E. CHURCH, SOUTH.—B. M. Currie, pastor. Services first Sunday at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m., and fourth Sunday at 7:30 p. m. Sunday-school at 9:30 a. m. Prayer meeting, Tuesday evening at 7:30 o'clock. Epworth League, every Sunday evening at 6:45. Also one literary meeting each month with some member of the Woman's Missionary Society Saturday afternoon before first Sunday.

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THE SUNDAY SCHOOL.

LESSON IX, FIRST QUARTER, INTERNATIONAL SERIES, MARCH 2.

Text of the Lesson, Acts vii, 54 to viii, 2.—Memory Verses, 55, 56.—Golden Text, Matt. v, 44.—Commentary Prepared by Rev. N. S. McWhorter.

[Comment, 1902, by American from Association.] 54, 55. "But he, being full of the Holy Ghost, looked up steadfastly into heaven, saying: 'With great power and boldness, being filled with the Spirit, Stephen had spoken the truth and like him. How suggestive of his conduct of the place to which they were journeying, where there is weeping and gnashing of teeth not against others so much as because of their own torment! (Matt. xiii, 42, 50; xxi, 18.)"

56. "And said, Behold, I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing on the right hand of God." This is one of the seven times that we find the phrase in Scripture, "heaven opened," and the passages are Ezek. i, 1; Matt. iii, 16; John i, 51; Acts vii, 56; x, 11; Rev. i, 1; xii, 1, and they were given a careful study, for the Lord Jesus is always with us, and person, and the more we look into heaven the more heavenly we become, and there is so much room for improvement in that direction.

57, 58. "Then they cried out with a loud voice and stopped their ears and ran upon him with one accord." This is the first of the four "one accord" passages in the book of Acts, the others being xii, 20; xvii, 12; xix, 20. The number four suggests the four corners of the earth (Rev. vi, 1), or the whole earth, and reminds us that the whole world left in the wicked one (I John v, 19, R. V.), and the wicked one will never cease his hatred of God or of the people of God. It is the same when we stop our ears as David did and refuse to hear the mischievous things that evil people speak (Ps. xxiiv, 12, 13), but to stop one's ears from hearing the things of God is truly the devil's work. Refusing the truth, they were believing a lie (I Thess. ii, 10, 11), and, believing that Jesus of Nazareth was an impostor, they judged Stephen to be guilty of blasphemy, and in stoning him thought they were obeying their law. Yet, xvii, 10, while they themselves were, before God, the blasphemers and the guilty ones, but they were blinded by the god of this world (I Cor. iv, 3, 4). This is our first introduction to the young man named Saul, unless, as some think, he is the same young man who went away from Jerusalem one day sorrowfully because he loved his possessions.

59. "Lord Jesus, receive my spirit." Thus said Stephen as they were stoning him to death, for he knew when he died and saw Him even before he went out to be with Him. When our Lord Himself was dying, He said to Father, "I commend my spirit to thee." And similar words came from David by the same spirit long before (Luke xxi, 40; Ps. xxi, 5), for he also could truly say: "I trusted in Thee, O Lord." "My times are in Thy hand" (Ps. xxi, 14, 15). These dying words of Stephen and of the Lord Jesus give no encouragement to the belief that death and resurrection the spirit is asleep and unconscious. If any are not fully persuaded concerning the soul and bliss of the believer apart from the body, let them read and believe Luke xvi, 22; xxi, 42; II Cor. v, 8; Phil. i, 21, 25; Rev. vi, 9-11.

60. "Lord, lay not this sin to their charge." Like his adorable Lord and Master he prayed for his murderers (Luke xxi, 34). Our instructions are, "Love your enemies; bless those that curse you; do good to them that hate you, and pray for them which despitefully use you and persecute you" (Matt. v, 44). And while this is impossible to the natural man, if any man be in Christ he is a new creature, born from above, a temple of the Holy Spirit, a mansion in which the Father and the Son have come to dwell (II Cor. v, 17; I Cor. vi, 19, 20; John xiv, 23), and Christ in us can do what He did when he rose on earth in the body prepared for Him and take as our motto, "Not I, but Christ" (Gal. ii, 20).

viii, 1. "And Saul was consenting unto his death." Hear his own account of what he said to the Lord Jesus long afterward. "And I said, Lord, they know that I imprisoned and beat in every synagogue them that believed on Thee, and when the blood of Thy martyr Stephen was shed I also was standing by and consenting unto his death and kept the raiment of them that slew him" (Acts xxi, 30, 31). Before Agrippa he said, "I verily thought with myself that I ought to do many things contrary to the name of Jesus of Nazareth, which thing I also did in Jerusalem" (Acts xxvi, 9, 10). And then he went on to tell how not only in Jerusalem, but in other cities, being exceedingly mad against the saints, he was the means of their imprisonment, punishment and death. Our lesson tells of the readiness of the persecution in Jerusalem after the death of Stephen and how all the believers except the apostles were scattered through Judaea and Samaria. The Lord's command was to "go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature." "To be His witnesses unto the uttermost parts of the earth" (Mark xvi, 15; Acts i, 8), but up to this time they seem to have confined their testimony to Jerusalem, and it required a persecution to scatter them that they might obey His command. Thus He maketh the wrath of man to praise Him and restrain what He does not see fit to use (Ps. lxxv, 10).

2. "And devout men carried Stephen, full of power and signs and wonders, into the church." Well, they did not bury Stephen, but they buried all that was left of him on the earth, the house in which he had sojourned. Stephen himself was "absent from the body, present with the Lord," but his body was asleep, even as Jesus had said of Lazarus when speaking of his death, "Our friend Lazarus sleepeth" (John xi, 11-14). There was no occasion to lament for Stephen, for to him it was a great gain, but it seemed that the church could ill afford to lose such a witness. We still think when the faithful witnesses are called home that it is strange when there seems to be such great need of them here and there are seemingly so few, but we must remember that the work is His who, in undisturbed majesty, is at God's right hand.

OUR COLORED CITIZENS.

Mrs. C. F. Bailey returned from Louisville with her son Willie who is very ill, Tuesday night. He is reported better. He has pneumonia.

Mrs. B. S. Osborn has been very ill. She is better at this writing.

Mrs. Ella Meriwether is yet very sick.

Mrs. Jane Gough, mother of Rev. J. H. Gough, is better.

SCHOOL NOTES.

Washington-Lincoln exercises at public school were highly pleasing and a few of the faithful good women were out to hear them.

Help the children by seeing that they have time, and use it, to perform their lessons. Your Children will be what you make them. Think that you will soon be gone from your children or they gone from you and try to give them all the benefits of a christian mother and father.

HAD IT OCCURRED TO YOU?

That there are some of the most expensive babies in Earlington? Children are compelled to lose two and three days from school to attend the little angels. They are too precious for earth.

That our mothers used to carry a young car load of clothes to some pond or river a mile away and laundry them and return and prepare dinner for ten or twelve, but now a mother has to keep all the children out of school two or three days to "wash," and then wonder why they "haint a learnin'."

That many women haven't time to train their children and look after their future interest but they have time to visit from house to house and gossip.

That Mortons Gap news was too late last week and the sender failed to sign any name.

That we hear much about the amounts of money to be raised by our religious leaders, but very little about the efforts or pains to raise the precious souls of men from the pits of sin.

That Christ is yet being crucified between two thieves. "Honor and Money."

That men do many things to obtain love that they will not do to retain it.

That there is no appetite in a pure heart for alcoholic drinks, nor tobacco, nor any other sin.

That one had as well drink whisky as smoke.

That as is the homes so are the children; as is the teacher so is the school; as is the preacher so is the church; and as is the church so is the world.

AMONG THE CHURCHES.

Rev. S. F. Aldridge, pastor of A. M. E. Zion church, Madisonville, Ky., will preach in the rally Sunday at the A. M. E. Zion church, Earlington, at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. The Madisonville choir will render music at 7:30 service.

Rev. J. H. Gordon will preach at 8 p. m. Every person is earnestly requested to lend a helping hand.

The V. C. E. will meet at 6 p. m. Sunday only, on account of the rally. It will meet after that at 2:30 as usual. Come everyone. Topic for next Sunday, "The Joy of Service." Ps. 129:5.

Literary Tips.

As a guide to the choice of authors in any one direction the so-called "prescriptions" are invaluable.

For clearness read Macaulay.

For logic read Burke and Bacon.

For action read Homer and Scott.

For consciousness read Bacon and Pope.

For sublimity of conception read Milton.

For vivacity read Stevenson and Kipling.

For imagination read Shakespeare and Job.

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CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR.

Topic For the Week Beginning Feb. 23—Comment by Rev. S. H. Doyle.

Topic—Obedience—I Sam. xv, 22, 23; I Kings iii, 14; Rev. xiii, 14.

The obedience of the duty is obedience to God. It is the duty of every man born into this life to obey God. "Fear God and keep His commandments. This is the whole duty of man." But we should not only obey God, but our obedience should be prompt and cheerful. Our obedience should be characterized by the spirit of the psalmist when he said, "I will run in the way of Thy commandments" and "I will delight to do Thy will." God not only loves cheerful giving, but cheerful obedience. But if obedience is doing God's will and is of such great importance, what does God want us to do? God's will is revealed within us, and in His revelation the Bible, conscience, the voice of God within us, tells us what is right and what is wrong and urges to shun evil and to do good. The Bible also teaches us "what man is to believe concerning God and what duty God requires of man." How important that we hear and heed the voice of conscience! How important that we know and understand the word of God! There God tells us that Jesus is our Lord, Jesus Christ as our Savior and that He wants us to obey His laws and do His will in Christ.

The Bible references present two important facts, both of which should inspire us to obedience to the will of God.

1. The consequences of disobedience should inspire us to obedience. Disobedience means rejection by God and the ruination of life. He who is disobedient to the will of God is a rebel against the law of God. No young man ever faced life under more promising circumstances than Saul, the first king of Israel. In physical appearance, in intellectual attainments, in political powers, in spiritual equipment, Saul stood pre-eminent among the men of his day. Yet all his hopes and prospects for life were blasted in an hour. One act of disobedience led to his rejection of God, and he fell to the lowest depths and died by his own hand! What a wrecked life, and all because of disobedience! And how many modern Sauls are seeking their lives by disobeying the laws of God. Talents, opportunities, positions, count for naught if we are tripping under foot the will and laws of God.

2. The blessings of obedience should inspire us to it. Precious promises are attached to God's commands to obedience. God promises to bless us in this life if we will obey him. "If thou wilt walk in My ways to keep My statutes and My commandments, I will lengthen thy days." God promises to bless us in the future if we obey him. "Blessed are they that do His commandments, that they may have right to the tree of life and may enter in through the gates to the city." Such precious promises should inspire us to obey God promptly, cheerfully, fully.

BIBLE READINGS.

Deut. xi, 22-28; xxviii, 1-14; Ps. xl, 6; Acts, ix, 32-40; Matt. vi, 21-29; John xv, 10-16; Rom. xvi, 19; Phil. ii, 1-12; Jas. i, 22-27; Rev. xii, 12.

Christ's Sympathy.

Christ shows Himself especially sympathetic with questions of domesticity, as when at the wedding in Cana He alleviated a housekeeper's predicament, as when tears rushed forth at the broken home of Mary and Martha and Lazarus. Men are sometimes ashamed to weep. There are men who, if the tears start, will conceal them. They think it is unmanly to cry. They do not seem to understand it is manliness and evidence of a great heart. I am afraid of a man who does not know how to cry. The Christ of the text was not ashamed to cry over human misfortune. Look at that deep lake of tears opened by the two words of the evangelist, "Jehovah! Behold Christ on the day of His early triumph marching on Jerusalem, the glittering domes obliterated by the blinding rain of tears in His eyes and on His cheek, for when He beheld the city He wept over it. O man of the many trials, O woman of the heartbreak, why do you not touch Him—Talmage.

Nothing But His Own Will.

Nothing but the setting up of his own will separates man from his true life in God. And in the strong language of an old writer, "Nothing but the will in hell but self will." The human will must be annihilated with the Divine will, the human spirit must be reunited to the Divine spirit, or hopeless disaster overtakes the soul. To accomplish this restoration is the work of the invisible Christ within us. His Spirit breathes always over the chaotic waste of our restless, brooding, restless and shapeless until recreated into the image of His Father and relapsing with the breath of His own eternal being. We find ourselves in the image of the Father, we are ourselves, only in Him—Lucy Larcum.

The Song of the Angels.

No sweeter song, no richer benediction, ever thrilled the air of earth than that of the angels of Bethlehem! "Peace on earth" is surely a gift of heaven. This is the world of sin, and so peace, like its Prince, is a stranger in the land. Enmity, hatred, murder, rehedanded war, are the natural fruits of sin. Peace, like the Prince, is a stranger in the land and struggles for a place and a home and a kingdom on earth. How strong and happy are we in our confidence that one day "peace shall flow as a river and righteousness as the waves of the sea"—Central Presbyterian.

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